



Northwest Missouri State University denied Tau Kappa Epsilon Delta-Nu Chapter's appeal to reverse its decision to no longer recognize the organization. SHAWNA KINGSTON | NW MISSOURIAN

University denies TKE appeal

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Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity's appeal to reverse the University's decision to no longer recognize the organization has been denied.

At the end of the fall semester, the University revoked its recognition of the Delta-Nu chapter citing probation violations as the reason. TKE was given the ability to appeal the University's decision and submitted an appeal before the end of the fall semester. Vice President of Student Affairs Matt Baker said while this decision will eliminate the TKE chapter on campus, the University is still in support of TKE and hopes it return again in the future.

"We're committed to the TKEs," Baker said. "They've been here for 60 years. We recognize they have a long tradition of being a positive influence here on campus. We recognize in recent times it's not been as good, but we also realize there have

been more than 55 years of positive influence. It's not all or none. It's not that we hate them at all. It's trying to work with them to create a plan to have the TKEs come back and be stronger than ever."

The review process took place through an appeal committee hearing. Members of the Northwest leadership team reviewed the appeal and interviewed members from TKE and people from the University that were involved in the decision making. Northwest TKE alumni and board member Brian Wunder said the decision was difficult to accept, but it is time to move forward.

"Obviously, the alumni chapter was disappointed by the decision, and had hoped for a better outcome," Wunder said. "However, we are turning our attention to instituting the changes in the active chapter that will result in reinstatement at the appropriate time. While, looking backward, we believe the process that led to this situation could per-

haps have been managed differently, in the end the leadership of the active chapter failed to take actions to re-mediate University concerns and now have to deal with the consequences of those actions."

Wunder said this decision has had a varying effect on the relationship between TKE alumni and the University.

"Members of the TKE alumni group also hold 'dual-membership' as alumni of the University," Wunder said. "The reactions to this situation are highly individualized and for some the relationship has likely been damaged and for others not. Collectively, we're committed to working closely with the University to help the active chapter institute the long term changes that will restore University recognition to the Chapter."

The University placed TKE on probation in spring 2015 at the beginning of the Abraham Acosta sexual assault case. Following another

sexual assault case in the fall and violations of probation, the University decided to no longer recognize the fraternity and prohibited the organization from returning for four years.

In an email sent last semester, Baker explained what this means in detail.

"As a result of this action, the chapter will no longer be recognized, identified or listed as a University-affiliated Greek organization. The chapter will no longer receive the benefits and support of a University-recognized student organization, and it is no longer permitted to participate in Greek Life activities including recruitment, initiation, Interfraternity Council and social events," Baker said.

Wunder cited TKE's tradition on campus as the need for the chapter to return to campus.

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Candidates prepare for Missouri Primary

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Many citizens 18 and older will head to the polls Tuesday. Some of those voters include Northwest Bearcats.

The biggest impact on the election is the 18-25-year-olds who could make or break the election, as was seen in Michigan Tuesday. The problem is many young adults aren't interested in politics.

"I'm going to be honest, I don't really know much about this election," junior Monica Irwin said. "Growing up, I never talked about politics. Even my friends, family, or even teachers never really thought to bring them up."

Even though not all students are involved in the election, there are some students who feel the importance of the election.

Some of these students have actually been following the election since the Iowa Caucus in February.

"I think this is an extremely interesting election this year, especially since this is the first election we will all be voting in," sophomore Shane Webb said. "This is also really important to people our age because this is going to be the first time we are voting on someone who will effect us as adults. The Super Tuesday results were interesting because it shows that we are more than likely going to have a Trump/Clinton ticket."

Since Super Tuesday, Donald Trump holds the most delegates with Ted Cruz gaining momentum behind him for the Republican Party. For the Democratic Party, Hillary Clinton most likely has the nomination due to her outstanding number of delegates compared to Bernie Sanders.

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University participates in national recycling competition

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Colleges across the country will soon compete to see which school can recycle the most.

Northwest Missouri State University will participate in RecycleMania along with other schools such as St. Louis University, University of Iowa and Stanford.

RecycleMania is an organization that provides an annual competition focused on motivating people to recycle.

Its overall mission is to provide tools and opportunities that inspire, empower and mobilize colleges to improve efforts to reduce or eliminate waste through a fair and friendly competition.

The competition lasts eight weeks. During the competition, colleges across the U.S. and Canada report the amount of trash and recycled materials collected each week to RecycleMania. The colleges then receive weekly rankings where they can see how they rank among other schools.

RecycleMania started in 2001 as a challenge between Ohio University and Miami University to motivate their student bodies to recycle more. The schools decided to invite other colleges to join the friendly competition and RecycleMania has been an annual contest ever since.

In 2004, RecycleMania partnered with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency WasteWise program to develop a website and provide support.



Sophomores Lynnae Beiermann and Brooke Konecky recycle water bottles in Roberta Hall during the RecycleMania competition. KOLBY SINCLAIR | NW MISSOURIAN

The competition continued to grow with over 400 schools competing each year.

Junior Bibek Maharjan is an in-

ternational student from Nepal who thinks RecycleMania is a good thing.

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Fall online evaluations create inaccurate results

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After finding errors and skewed data from fall 2015 online course evaluations, Northwest is looking into new software and purging all data from that semester.

Director of Network Computing Timothy Carlyle said there were several unexpected limitations with the software chosen for the online evaluations.

"The software we used was probably not the best software," Carlyle said. "It was the entry level software instead of the next step up, so we found that if you took the evaluation and then went back and took it again, it would erase your first set. So if you happened to get two emails, and you open the second email and think, 'Hey I already did this' and submit the evaluation with nothing in it, it zeros out everything."

Other limitations included students receiving duplicate emails, in some cases students received up to 10 or 12.

Carlyle said students receiving duplicate emails could have contributed to the skewed data.

"We are concerned that may have thrown people off since they got two emails and it may have done the same thing where they did the first one and then did the second one and it overrode the first... I think that may have skewed the numbers,"

Carlyle said.

Don Ehlers said the data he received from the software was inaccurate and that he could not trust it.

"The software didn't work. It looked consistent with the Monday Wednesday responses from previous semesters, but we could see there was an error in the numbers. Like one course said there were 78 responses but that would mean there were more responses than there were students," Ehlers said.

Due to errors in the data, professors will be left without student evaluations for half of 2015-2016 school year. However, according to Provost Timothy Mottet student evaluations are not the only means of evaluation for professors, other evaluations such as peer evaluations take place throughout the semester as well.

"We've decided to drop the fall semester evaluations. There were mistakes, there were errors, so let's just throw that out and not have that data in there throwing off anything and then we can start looking at a new product to use for online evaluations," Carlyle said. "We aren't going away from it completely, just for this semester. For spring 2016, we are stepping away from it, going back to paper, and then next fall we will go back to a pilot or an opt in program."

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Kansas City residents now able to text 9-1-1

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Police in Kansas City, Kansas and Missouri are improving methods of communication with a new 9-1-1 texting system.

Kansas City’s emergency dispatch centers can now receive and respond to text messages. Citizens are able to text the police in case they are ever in a situation that would be too dangerous to talk, such as an active shooting incident or home invasion. People who are hearing impaired or have trouble speaking can contact the police more accurately through texting.

Mid-America Regional Council Public Safety Communications Director Keith Faddis noted in the year-long process of testing the communication system how vital it could be to save a life.

“I would rather have people call us at 9-1-1, but at certain times in those life or death situations, texting can really make a difference. It could potentially save your life or any others in danger,” Faddis said.

Faddis also mentioned that people with any area code within the Kansas City metro area can use the texting system.

However, the 9-1-1 texting service is only limited to that area. People from other counties are unable

to use it, even if they have the 8-1-6 area code number.

The 9-1-1 texting system has 23 public safety answering points in Cass, Clay, Jackson, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri. There are 19 in Johnson, Leavenworth, Miami and Wyandotte counties in Kansas, making a total of 42 answering points in Missouri and Kansas. All four major cell phone companies, AT&T, Sprint, T-Mobile and Verizon, now offer text to 9-1-1 service to their wireless customers in the region.

Kansas City is among other cities offering the service in an entire metro area such as Dallas, Denver, Houston, Indianapolis and San Antonio.

Sheriff of Nodaway County Darren White noted the local police may be interested in installing the 9-1-1 texting communication system or something similar if they provided the right option and resources.

“I haven’t heard of texting 9-1-1, but maybe at some point in time we could try to get something like that,” White said.

To text to an emergency dispatch center 9-1-1, Faddis said that the person must have a text plan and a phone. Other devices, such as a pager, that are capable of sending text messages will also work.

People must also know there are limits to the texting. Like any oth-

er text, the message can be subject to delays or the same service speed. Multimedia messages included with photos, videos or emoticons will not be received. If there is more than one recipient, it will also not be responded to.

Public safety officials, such as Faddis, urge residents to remember that calling 9-1-1 is always preferred over texting. Voice calls allow 9-1-1 dispatchers to gather information much faster in an emergency. Unlike phone calls, text messages cannot be tracked by the police with the sender’s exact location, and the service is not available when roaming. If texting to 9-1-1 is not available, callers will receive a bounce-back message saying the service is not available and to make a voice call to 9-1-1.

When it is necessary to send a text to 9-1-1, texters should remember to enter the phone number 911 with no dashes. They must also provide the address or location. The message requires the type of help needed from either the police, firemen, or paramedics.

The message cannot contain any slang or abbreviations or break the 160 word limit. The words must be in English as the translation service is not available yet.

Future equipment upgrades may expand the service by adding photo or video features.



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Anyone with an 816 area code will be able to text 9-1-1 from approved counties.

Nodaway County jail not prepared for increasing inmates

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Nodaway County could see a much needed expansion of the county jail as early as the next budget year.

The Nodaway County Jail was built in 1985, originally designed to house 20 prisoners. Only one of those 20 was expected to be female, but in the 21st century, this is not the case.

“As times have changed and populations have grown...we have more and more people and less and

less space,” Nodaway County Sheriff Darren White said.

White says the jail consistently houses anywhere from 30 to 40 inmates, but has housed up to 60 people at one time.

“We make space for them, but it would be a lot easier (with renovations),” White said.

White said it’s only a matter of time before the federal government requires more segregation in terms of felony and misdemeanor charges and crimes that would put a person

on the sex offenders list.

Comparing the amount of people housed in the jail versus the amount it was built to house, White and the Nodaway County Sheriff’s Department believe additional space for prisoners is a necessity.

“It would be advantageous for us to do some modifications to make it a little easier to accommodate not only more women, but inmates in general,” White said.

White said the jail was adequately sized for the time it was

built, but he also said he believes the floor plans lacked forethought in regards to population growth in the upcoming years.

“Whether society wants to admit it or not, crime has been on the rise for years. We could argue and discuss all day long the reasonings for that, but there are more people who are committing crimes and being put in jail.”

White said Nodaway County has a hard stance on crime and is not afraid to put people in jail, regardless of space. He said in some counties, specifically counties that don’t have jails at all, law enforcement simply stop arresting people.

White suggests the outdoor exercise yard in the center of the building be used as the space to allow for

more prisoner accommodations. He said that there are only a few weeks out of the year that prisoners can use the yard due to weather conditions.

“What I would like to do is somehow enclose [the space] so it could be used as a space to house inmates,” White said.

Using this seemingly wasted space, according to White, would not only be beneficial in housing more inmates, but also would ensure that the jail wouldn’t have to be relocated to attain the needed space.

White says estimates and financial figures are being gathered now, and if a reasonable proposal is submitted, it’s possible that action could be taken in the next budget year, 2017.

No additional staff or risk is predicted with the proposed renovations.

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Maryville plans expansion of CTRIP

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College students and community members alike can look forward to the further development of Maryville's Campus Town Redevelopment Incentive Program (CTRIP), now implementing fee waivers and reductions for development within Maryville's city limits.

CTRIP has been around since 2013 and has allowed for property worth little to no more than \$2,000 in tax revenue to flourish into property that now supplies \$25,000 in tax revenue.

The expansion of the program was approved Feb. 22 by Marville City Council. The expansion goes by the name of Revitalizing Maryville as the program now reaches more than just the 40 blocks of student rental property west of Northwest's campus.

Maryville signed a lease in January seeding control of the cities waste control operations to local companies planning to begin hauling off the city's solid waste later this summer. With this in mind, City Hall has authority over tipping fees, the charge of dumping per ton, for only the few additional months leading up to this shift.

After this window of opportunity, the city will be responsible for paying those companies for the depositing CTRIP debris beyond a

360-ton limit.

Nodaway News obtained Maryville City Manager Greg McDanel's held sentiment towards the program.

"This sudden push is because the city has flexibility with the city-owned transfer station. Come August, a third party will be operating the transfer station and we won't have that flexibility," said McDanel. "Until then, the city wants to spur and incentivize progress for those interested in developing multi- or single-family properties anywhere in the city"

The precedence on the utilization of Maryville's resources will show to encourage added growth. While the option for reduced and even total fee waivers remain in effect the city's rental, commercial, and private properties will receive the timely benefits.

Tipping fees will see a decrease in price from \$48 to \$32 dollars for owners of eligible rental and commercial properties. Demolition and construction permits qualify for complete fee waiving for these properties.

Properties downtown, lying south of Seventh, north of Jenkins, east of Filmore and west of Vine street will have tipping, demolition permit and development permit fees waived.

Motives aren't entirely monetarily based as Nodaway News reports McDanel's speech on the cities



SARAH BANDY | NW MISSOURIAN
Maryville's Campus Town Redevelopment Incentive Program (CTRIP) is aimed at growing residency options in the city.

personal expected expense.

"On average, the city looks to take a hit of around \$3,000 per property between the waived tipping and permit fees. This is an aggressive approach to incentivize redevelop-

ment city-wide with a long-term investment by the city with the increase we would see in tax revenue," said McDanel.

The same premise that assisted in the increase of housing value and

development is now being allocated to a city that could see improvement from a similar type of program. Time is of the essence as developers have six months to get the full effect out of the newly offered incentives.

University departments prepare for academic reconstruction

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Northwest Missouri State University's academic affairs will feature a different organizational structure this coming fall.

The University will change the Booth College and permanently transform its academic departments into professional schools. The three schools were in a pilot phase for the past year. The professional schools will be the School of Business, the School of Communication and Mass Media and the School of Agricultural Sciences.

According to Provost Timothy Mottet, Ph.D., directors will be in charge of professional schools, who will report directly to the provost. The deans who led the academics will become associate provosts.

"So, we tried this new configuration and really what this does is it pushes down the decision making, it flattens the organization. We inherit-

ed the dean, the college structure of the European models of higher education. Higher ED has always been organized by colleges and departments within colleges. Today, I think we are beginning to understand that structure is still important to us. It can be operated a little bit differently. It was never a master plan, it was a matter of new ideas, and we started one which continued to multiple," Mottet said.

Northwest will change its College of Education and Human Services and reorganize the Department of Professional Education as the School of Education. Additionally, the University will form a new school called the School of Computer Science and Information Systems.

Mottet said Northwest will retain its College of Arts and Sciences. This will house the departments of English and Modern Languages, Fine and Performing Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, Mathematics and Statistics, and Natural Sciences.

"I want to make something very clear, we still have a college of arts and science. That college is not going away. The college of arts and science is at the center of the university. It's grounded in it. The professional schools are on the outside of the arts and science. We will have a college of arts and science and six professional schools," Mottet said.

With the academic reconstruction, Mottet said the appointments of faculty will lead the new schools and administrators to associate provost roles. He emphasized the University is not adding positions, but changing resources from within academic affairs.

Carol Spradling, Ph.D., will serve as the director of the School of Computer Science and Information Systems. Timothy Wall, Ph.D., will serve as the dean of the School of Education. Steve Ludwig, Ph.D., will serve as director of the Booth School of Business. Matt Walker, Ph.D., will serve as director of the

School of Communication and Mass Media and Rod Barr will serve as director of the School of Agricultural Sciences.

Michael Steiner, Ph.D., who serves as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, will become associate provost of undergraduate studies. Bev Schenkel, the University's dean of enrollment management, will become associate provost of enrollment management and student success.

For Northwest's transition from deans to associate provosts, Mottet explained how the academic affairs is being reorganized by roles rather than academic content. The new structure will be organized by many areas of undergraduate studies and those within the College of Arts and Sciences. This also includes the graduate studies and special programs, enrollment management and student success and the professional schools.

Mottet believes there are quite a few reasons for the restructuring. He

noted the need for an organizational structure that will promote and manage interdisciplinary studies and general education. It can also support a more focused vision of profession-based learning. It may also ensure faculty experience and student learning.

With all of the academic changes, Mottet and future associate provosts believe the students won't notice the academic reconstruction but fully believe it will benefit the students and faculty. One such was Spradling.

"I definitely think this is going to benefit students," Spradling said. "I think because we are going to work with schools and more work with each other. But in the future, we will focus more on interdisciplinary projects that maybe faculty and students will work together on. Our students will have more opportunities. That's the way I view it, it's a positive."

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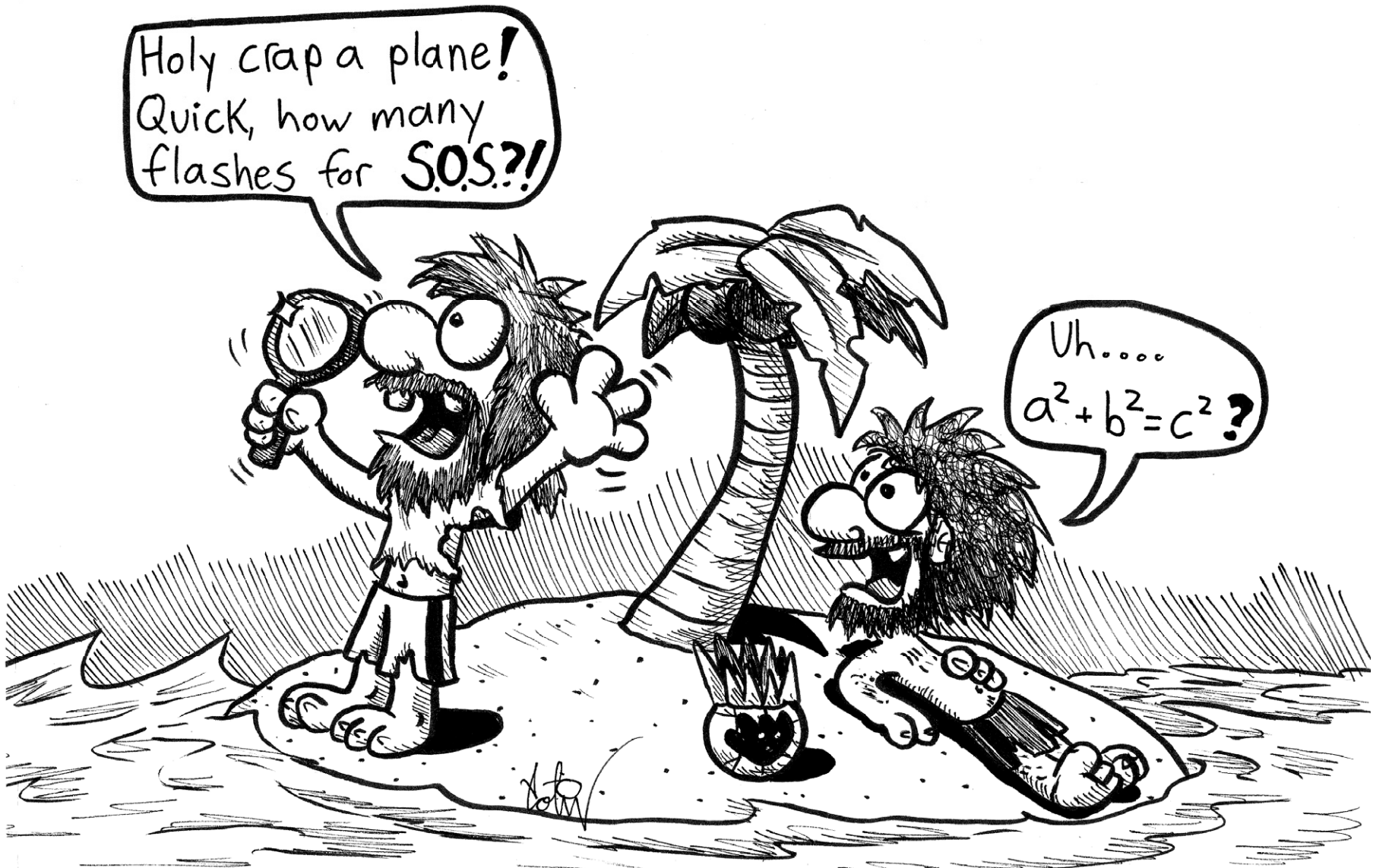
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Research conducted by Huffington Post shows college students feel burnt out because of the lack of useful knowledge from high school after transitioning into adulthood and becoming a college student.

Safety measures should be personal decision



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Contributing Columnist

In a perfect America, governments would consider their citizens mature and able minded enough to make important personal decisions for themselves. Personal being the operative word here.

Don't get me wrong, I appreciate the fact that the American government, along with the influence of voters, make general rules monitoring factors that affect the safety of people as a whole. However, some laws placed on the American people are based on things that affect an individual's well being and not those of

a whole community or population.

It is my belief that adults of sound mind should be able to decide factors of personal safety for themselves, bringing this article to the topic of seat belt laws.

Personally, I always wear my seat belt. I wear it because it makes me feel more secure, also because I drive like I have a fire under my seat and I don't trust other drivers on the road. I do not wear it because the law tells me to.

Whether I choose to wear my seat belt or not does not affect anyone else on the road. It doesn't factor into anyone else's safety or lives in any way. This logic does not apply to other traffic laws such as speeding or drinking and driving. Those are risks that an individual can take that has the potential to af-

fect the lives of others. This is the difference between laws about personal safety and laws about the safety of the community.

Missouri law states all drivers and front seat passengers must wear a seat belt. Adults in the backseat are not required to wear a seat belt and seat belt violations are considered minor infractions. This means law enforcement cannot stop motorists solely on the basis of whether they are wearing a seat belt or not.

Missouri Senator Jill Schupp would change both laws to require all occupants in a vehicle to be buckled in and would also give officers the power to stop and ticket people specifically on suspicion of lack of seat belt use.

If it were up to me, all laws appealing to individual safety of adults

would be repealed, but Northwest senior Shannon Hubbard does not agree with me.

"I think everyone should be required to wear a seat belt no matter the age. They are put in cars for a reason, as a safety feature. Even if you trust the person driving the car, or yourself, there are always other reckless drivers on the road and the seat belt could be the only thing between you and flying through the windshield," Hubbard said.

NWMSU Academic Adviser Kayla Etherton takes her stance somewhere in the middle.

"While I can definitely see the value in seat belts and do believe that they have saved many people from being ejected from vehicles during an accident, I have also heard reasonable arguments against

the use of seat belts," Etherton said.

Etherton explains an example of an educated counter argument.

"In an economics course, we discussed the possibility that people actually drive more recklessly due to feeling safer with seat belts, therefore actually increasing accidents," Etherton said. "I don't think that there is one clear-cut solution to the seat belt dilemma. With the information that I have, I would probably leave the laws as-is. I appreciate the fact that law enforcement is looking out for the safety of individuals when they give tickets to those not wearing seat belts, but I also think that it should ultimately be the decision of the civilian whether or not they wear a seat belt because it is their life at risk," Etherton said.

OUR VIEW: Young voters should take action

Missouri will soon hold its primaries for the upcoming election, but little do 18-24-year-olds know, this primary could be one of the most important in Missouri history.

The Missouri primary for the Republican candidates is winner-take-all, meaning a candidate who receives the most votes will receive all 52 delegates at stake.

Meanwhile for the Democratic side, all votes and delegates are important. Although Bernie Sanders is almost mathematically eliminated, he is still fighting and continuing to take states from Hillary Clinton.

However, one big issue still stands, the number of college students and young adults who are not registered to vote is incredibly high. While this comes as no surprise, we still expected to see a better turn out as we have seen social media take off after Donald Trump announced his candidacy.

Multiple vines, gifs and memes have mocked Trump, as younger people have taken much stronger stances on certain issues today than they historically have. Sanders keeps winning the support of the majority of young adults and college students because of his stance on topics important to this age group such as tuition, minimum wage and

discrimination.

While a large majority of people in this age group are voicing their opinions on social media by showing large support for Sanders and attacking Trump for his misogynistic, racist and plain stupid remarks, these people are likely not to make it out to the polls.

The U.S Census Bureau says that young voters between the ages of 18-24 have consistently voted at lower rates than every other age group since 1962.

This results in us young adults having very little to no say in the election. If we are educated enough to disagree with a candidate who says something racist, we are educated enough to make it to the polls and vote.

People say young adults do not vote because we, as younger people, do not feel like we have as vital a part in the election or establishment. This is false. A majority of candidates actually attempt to appeal to the younger audience to get the vote.

We also make up a very large portion of people voting. If we look at the previous election, young voters were a key to electing President Barack Obama, as he got more than 5 million more votes in the young adult demographic as

opponent Mitt Romney.

The U.S. Census Bureau also shows that fewer than half of eligible young voters will make it to the polls. We have responsibilities, and one of the huge responsibilities we are given is the chance to help select the next leader of our nation. This is one of the few things the government has done to help us and let us take charge, so we need to take it and not let it go to waste.

If we do not get out to the polls and vote March 15, we will let our state down. We will let the presidential candidate that we have been supporting since day one down. We have a chance to shape the way the nation will run for the next four years.

We need to get out there and make our voices heard. Millennials are the next group of adults, and we are the ones whom these polls will impact in large ways. If we show support for someone and do not show up to vote for that person, he or she will not win, and we have no one to blame but ourselves.

We can not stop people like Trump from taking the presidency if we do not get out and vote. This is a huge opportunity to help your country, do not let it go to waste. Get out and vote.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Bernie Sanders claims that "climate change is real," as if this were news. Climate has changed, sometimes faster than today, since the atmosphere formed billions of years ago. We cannot stop it. The only constant about climate is change.

The Nongovernmental International Panel on Climate Change (NIPCC) reports list thousands of peer-reviewed science references in leading science journals that debunk the climate scare. America's political leaders must use the NIPCC to demonstrate that today's climate and weather are not extraordinary; there is no convincing evidence that human activity is causing climate problems.

As a result of the unjustified belief that we know the future of climate and, even more outrageously, that humanity controls it, relatively little money is available to help the poor adapt to climate change today. Of the roughly \$1 billion spent every day across the world on climate finance, only six per cent is devoted to helping vulnerable societies adapt to climate change. The rest is dedicated to trying to stop climatic events that might someday happen.

That is the real climate crisis that should concern Sanders.

Sincerely,

Tom Harris, B. Eng., M. Eng. (Mech.)
Executive Director
International Climate Science Coalition (ICSC)

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PRIMARY
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With the 52 delegates offered in the Show Me State, if a Republican candidate receives more than 50 percent of the popular vote, he will be awarded all 52 delegates. If not, the delegates will be dispersed among the four candidates.

The Democratic Party has 71 delegates, including superdelegates. The delegates will be divided based on vote totals overall, meaning if a candidate receives more than 50 percent of the votes, he or she will receive half of the delegates offered.

Missouri is one of 11 states that uses the open primary system. An open primary means that an individual does not have to affiliate with a political party and can vote in either primary regardless of party affiliation.

According to chairman of the Missouri Republican Party John Hancock, the four Republican candidates could be making appearances across the state.

“I expect to see all the candidates here before the 15th,” Hancock said. “There’s a big chunk of

delegates here.”

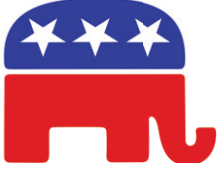
Bill Clinton came to St. Louis and Kansas City Tuesday afternoon to campaign for his wife, Hillary. The Democratic front runner faces competition since Sanders’ rally at the Southern Illinois University Edwardsville brought in several thousand people.

However, since the 2004 presidential election, a nominee has not won the federal election if he or she won the Missouri primary. Typically, the state of Missouri is not a winner-take-all state. Ohio holds its primary the same day as Missouri and has 140 delegates at stake.

After the primaries, America will most likely find out who will represent which political party. Depending on how voting goes in the state of Ohio, this election can make for a twist.

John Kasich is the governor of Ohio, where he holds the record for a governor’s approval rating. If Kasich wins the delegates, this can make him a contender for the Republican nomination.

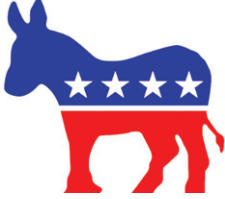
“I am hoping for a brokered convention,” freshman Sydney Prath-



Republican

52 delegates at stake

More than **50** percent of popular vote awarded all delegates at stake



Democrat

71 delegates at stake

More than **50** percent of popular vote awarded half delegates at stake

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er said. “I am hopeful that John Kasich will win Ohio and Marco Rubio will win his home state of Florida as well as a some other states with

large numbers of delegates making it unobtainable for Trump.”

This election is the most unpredictable election this country has

experienced. After the primary on March 15, the front runners for both parties could be someone we didn’t expect.

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“For the balance of the TKE chapter’s long history at Northwest, the chapter has played a positive and proud role as a member of the University community,” Wunder said. “It’s our intention to restore the chapter to that status in academics, leadership, community service, with young men of exceptional character.”

Wunder said both TKE alumni

and TKE International will be integral to the reinstatement of the organization. TKE International will provide the advisory role and the alumni will be the hands-on role in getting chapter once again ready for recognition.

According to Wunder, the TKE fraternity house will remain in the possession of the chapter.

“Because the chapter continues to have active and involved members, it will continue to provide housing for those individuals that

qualify,” Wunder said.

This is the second removal of a Greek organization by the University in two years, removing Delta Chi in 2014. Baker said this is not just a learning opportunity for Greeks, but also for all organizations.

“It’s not just Greek organizations, there is accountability in this situation for specifically Greek organizations, but we have concerns that come from all student organizations and student groups. It’s about responsibility and account-

ability. It’s about citizenship. It’s about being good humans and good students. It’s easy to talk about Title-IX, underage drinking or discrimination, but all of that is about citizenship. Regardless of the accountability side, I hope everybody takes away what behaviors are appropriate, how to hold our peers accountable and how do we hold ourselves accountable.”

Baker said he is worried society is starting to lose sight of what is wrong and right.

“We look a lot at what rules we have to follow and what rules we don’t have to follow we don’t look at what is the right thing to do,” Baker said. “I fear we’re losing site of personal and group accountability. People are afraid to hold their peers accountable... I think we’re getting past the idea of doing the right thing and doing whatever I want as long as I don’t violate a specific policy. We’re in for a heck of a ride as a society if that’s the case.”

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English Instructor Brenda Ryan said she was disappointed with the online evaluations overall.

“It is unfortunate that the feedback from the semester is invalid. I mean. I don’t need it for promotion, but a lot of a lot of people do, so that could be a problem,” Ryan said. “Something I really don’t like about the online evaluations is that there was no clear opportunity for narrative feedback. That is more important for me than a number, because what we get right now is just a number. But the narrative feedback is what lets me know what was working, what wasn’t working.

Students give suggestions and I really value that.”

The software from the company Survey Tracker was piloted in spring and summer of 2015. Faculty had the option to conduct evaluations through the new software and during that time, Carlyle said they saw no errors.

“In that process, everything went well. We didn’t have any issues, nothing stuck out to us that said, ‘hey don’t do this, it won’t work out very well.’ So that’s why we decided to use that software for all of 2015, since that is where we are heading anyway,” Carlyle said.

Carlyle said since the data was skewed and the software was not fit for the University’s demands, administration and network computing

will be working with Survey Tracker to upgrade the software which would integrate with the new Northwest Online system.

“They have a product that is the next step up which is called Class Climate. We’ve been asking around and several universities use it and we think this is the one we should have gone with in the first place,” Carlyle said. “Since we are getting a new Northwest Online system, this will just integrate with that. So what we are hoping is that you won’t have to get an email. When you log into your courses, you will have a notification that says ‘Hey you have four evaluations to do.’ And once the students do the evaluations, it will go through to the faculty members

so they can just log on and look at their data and we don’t have to cut it all out and send it to them.”

According to Carlyle, the cost to upgrade to Class Climate would be a one-time price of \$34,000 and yearly maintenance fees.

“It’s comparable to what we paid for the last, so it’s pretty much right in line with the budget. It’s a lot of money, but now we have to

pay a little more to get the correct software,” Carlyle said. “But overall, the \$34,000 isn’t a big deal because of the money we are going to save by not having to order the paper copies and have someone sitting there scanning them all in when we can do it all online. Looking at the time and effort we put in compared to just doing it online, it makes up the difference.”

RECYCLEMANIA
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“Reusing is so important. Programs like RecycleMania will help make people more aware of how much trash they are throwing away,” Maharjan said. “It makes people more environmentally conscious.”

Sophomore Annie Polland would like to see more advertising about the competition.

“I haven’t really heard anything about RecycleMania at Northwest,” Polland said. “I think flyers, broadcast media and word of mouth could help inform other students about the competition.”

Polland thinks if more people were aware of RecycleMania, perhaps they would be conscious of their trash and recycling habits.

“I think RecycleMania is a good cause in attempt to reduce global warming,” Polland said. “It just takes effort and everyone, including myself, to do it.”

Northwest has participated in RecycleMania since 2005. Last year, Northwest diverted 44,680 pounds of food, 8,148 pounds of cans and bottles and 55,910 pounds of mixed paper.

Since 1982, Northwest started using various alternative fuels. More than 50 percent of Northwest’s en-

ergy needs are met through wood chips and paper pellets. In 1993, a paper collective program was established to turn recycled materials into an alternative fuel for Northwest’s boiler plant.

Northwest has also been ranked among the top ten universities in the nation twice in the past three years and is a three-time winner of the Missouri State Recycling Program’s Annual Recycling Award.

The winning school of the RecycleMania competition will receive a trophy made out of recyclable materials. The winner will also receive national recognition in a press release and on the RecycleMania website.

Blotters for the week of March 10

Maryville Department of Public Safety

Feb. 22
A summons has been issued to **Tyler L. Williams 24**, for wanted on warrant and failure to appear at 400 block North Market.

Feb. 23
A summons has been issued to **Joseph D. Adamson, 20**, for possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia at 700 block Prather Avenue.

A summons has been issued to **Erik K. Schreiber, 42**, for city code violation at 400 block North Buchanan.

A summons has been issued to **Benjamin R. Murphy, 37**, for

driving while suspended and failure to maintain financial responsibility and 800 block East 5th Street.

Feb. 27
A summons has been issued to **Elizabeth Penrose and Madison Shank** for permitting a peace disturbance at 400 block West 4th Street.

A summons has been issued to **Sarah M. Tyler, 19**, for minor of possession and littering at 400 block West 11th Street.

A summons has been issued to **Kalyan D. Kairankonda, 22**, for permitting a peace disturbance at 1100 block North College Drive.

A summons has been issued to **Abhishek Kavallan, 22**, for permitting a peace disturbance at 1100 block North College Drive.

A summons has been issued to **Omar A. Frias Herrera, 20**, for minor in possession at 100 block West 16th Street.

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Mar. 1
There is an ongoing investigation for stealing at an unknown location.

A summons has been issued to **Alicia Johnson, 18**, for possession of controlled substance at Dietrich Hall.

A summons has been issued to **Briana Wesley, 18**, for 3rd degree assault at Franken Hall.

March 3
A summons has been issued for two liquor law violations at Dietrich Hall.

March 6
A summons has been issued for **Michael Sanders, 18**, for distribution of controlled substance.

A summons has been issued for a liquor law violation at Roberta Hall.

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A summons has been issued to Remington Pence, 25, for weapons violation at Student Union.

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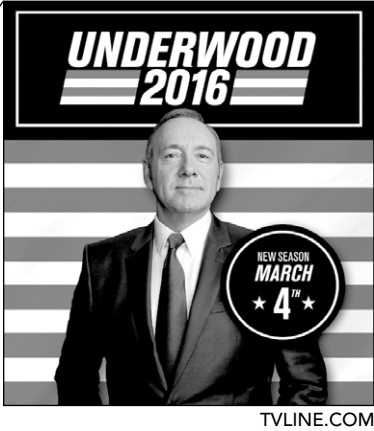
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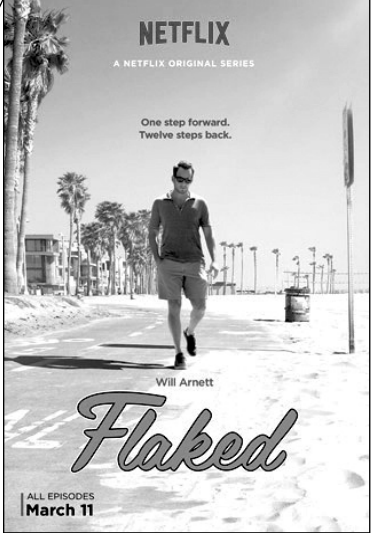
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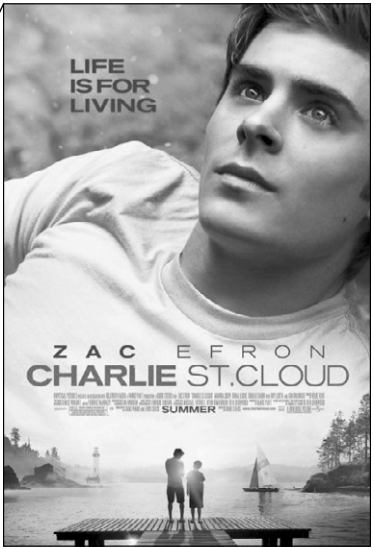
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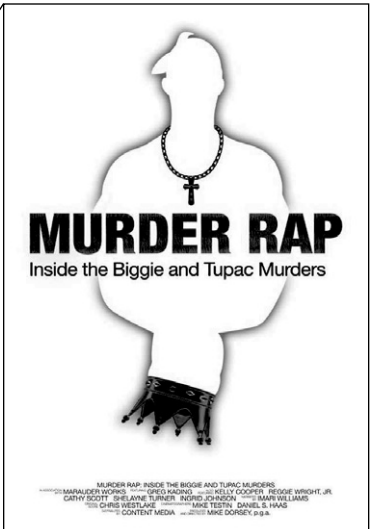
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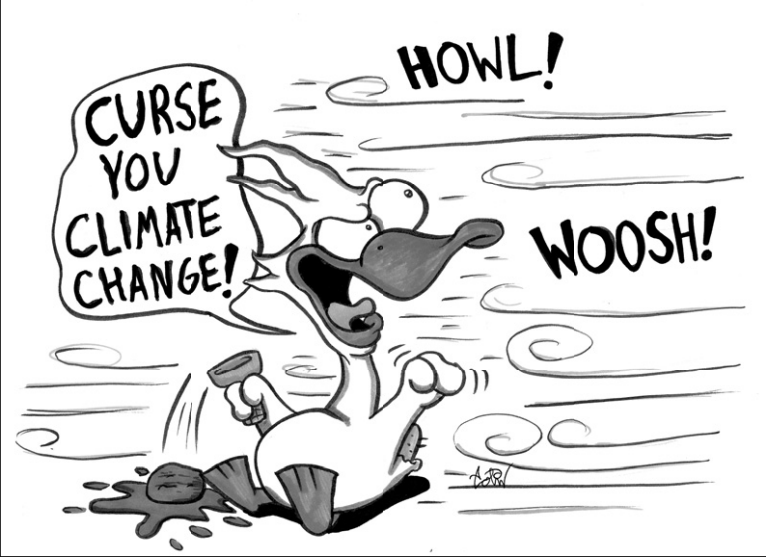
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By Peter A Collins

Los Angeles Times Daily Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Lewis

Clues Across

- Birds
- Quills
- Coniferous tree
- Type of vessels
- Used for baking or drying
- Promotion of product or service
- Many wombs
- “On the Waterfront” actor
- Air conditioning
- Heart condition
- Curved shapes
- The 7th letter of the Greek alphabet
- Let it stand
- Famous actor
- Mated
- High and low are types of these
- Marsupial
- African nation (Fr.)
- Huge
- Mountainous area in Puerto Rico
- Crooked
- Canadian law enforcers (abbr.)
- Neat and smart in appearance
- Intent
- Reptile genus
- A way to make full
- Merchant
- Michigan
- Manifesting approval
- Melancholic music
- Massachusetts
- Membrane of the cornea
- Calendar month
- Exam
- Commission
- Old English letters

Clues Down

- Olfactory sensations
- Bon __
- Turn up
- Bright
- Thick piece of something
- Cause to absorb water
- Morning

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- Eisaku __, Japanese Prime Minister
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- In an angry way
- Homopterous insect
- Above
- Sodium
- Aoris’ father (Greek myth.)
- They ring receipts
- Periods of history
- South Dakota
- Mammal genus
- Scotland’s longest river
- Potato state
- __ City, OK 74641
- Connected with touch
- Molding
- High-energy physics

- Of I
- Small pieces of bread
- Third day in Armenian calendar
- They accompany the leader
- 1,000 grams (kilogram)
- Felis domesticus
- Large, flightless birds
- Felt deep affection for
- Suffer death
- Private rendezvous (pl.)
- Not the winner
- Touchdown
- Ancient Egyptian sun god
- Portuguese parish
- Aromatic oil
- Not down
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- Barium

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Saundra Weigel

Senior reminds Bearcats of the importance of faith and family

REBECCA BORED

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Try and imagine how many people you walk by everyday and how many of those people you know the name of.

Now think of how many deaths you hear of on the news whether it be a school shooting, car accident or natural disaster.

Think of how many people you have gossiped about with your friends and yet have never met.

There are a little over 6,500 students attending Northwest, according to the Northwest Facts website. Among these people, we each could name around 50 of them, closer to 100 for someone involved in Greek Life. But everyone else we pass along the sidewalks, see on the news or gossip about is not real to us. They do not have any depth.

Brandon Stanton began the project “Humans of New York” to create a photographic representation of the city to show next to the interviews he performed with everyday people.

With this blog, Stanton is able to give people who might normally be lost in a large city like New York a name, face and personality.

Instead of walking past people on the streets and barely acknowledging their existence, this new biweekly article, “Humans of Northwest,” hopes to give each person depth.

Senior Saundra Weigel is a Human Services major from Blue Springs. She moved there when she was nine years old with her mother and older brother and sister.

Her family is really important to her.

“My sister has six kids and they are the lights of my life,” Weigel said.

Because her father passed away when she was only five years old, Weigel’s mother was a single mom who worked three jobs to support her family.

“(My father) fought in the Vietnam war. When he came back, he suffered from PTSD and to cope with that he started drinking and developed alcoholism. Eventually, his pancreas ruptured and that is what he passed away from,” Weigel said.

For Weigel’s fifth birthday, Nov. 24, her father promised her he would stop drinking. Dec. 23, Weigel discovered her father drinking again and he passed away the following day.

“I didn’t really understand what was going on... I remember when he was in the hospital, before my mom took him off life support, telling him I loved him and goodbye. Then I kissed him on the forehead,” Weigel said.

She recently got in contact with her oldest brother who was adopted out of her family when he was just two hours old.

“My oldest brother’s dad was black and my grandmother was really racist. She told my mom she could keep my older sister who was three years old at the time (and full white) or she could give up her son. So, she gave up the child she didn’t know yet,” Weigel said.

By the time her other brother was born, her grandmother had developed Alzheimer’s and no longer recognized the racism inside herself.

“One of my close friends had searched for her biological mom on Facebook and found her. So I decided to search for my brother,” Weigel said. “I found him within five seconds when my mom and sister had been searching for years.”

Weigel immediately began messaging her brother, but she was not the only one who had tried to claim relations to him. Her brother had been adopted into a wealthy home where he had a trust fund. Therefore, many people had been telling him they were his biological family.

After Weigel proved through documentation she was his biological sister, her brother was able to get



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As a Human Services major, it is senior Saundra Weigel’s goal to work in urban ministry. She loves the city atmosphere and wants to help people in that environment.

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into contact with their mother.

He then brought his family and visited Weigel’s family for Christmas. Now, her two older brothers are best friends. Weigel said they could almost be twins.

Weigel did not grow up in a Christian home, but she got connected with campus ministries when she arrived to Northwest. Her happiest memory is the day her best friend, former Bearcat Kaitlyn Ir-

win, baptized her.

“I remember coming out of the water,” Weigel said. “That was amazing. I just felt so cleansed, so new, so different.”

Weigel is now a part of the Christian sorority on campus, Gamma Alpha Lambda.

Coming to Northwest allowed Weigel to connect with individuals who were ultimately going to help her grow as a person.

Senior Lyndsey Garrison is currently Weigel’s roommate.

“The love that Saundra shows is so unique,” Garrison said. “She takes the unconditional love that God gives us and pours it into her friendships showing others they are valued. She reminds others even when life is interrupted by grief, there is a reason to say ‘I choose joy today’ everyday.”

It was through the connection

she made on campus that Weigel was able to finally grieve and work through her father’s death and the number of trials she has faced in the process of becoming an adult.

Weigel is proud to be a Bearcat.

Junior Hunter Davis has been a friend of Weigel’s for years and can attest to her character.

“Saundra has an insane passion for people. She will go out of her way to help a friend or to make someone’s day better,” Davis said.

Any number of us could have passed by Weigel on the sidewalks countless times. But no one would ever look at her and understand her story and who she is as a person.

The goal of this piece and the future pieces like it is to begin to imagine our surroundings complexly, to remember each person has a story and a goal and to recognize we are not so different after all.

CONTACT US

If you would like to nominate someone to be the next Human of Northwest, send an email to r.boren.missourian@gmail.com and tell us why he or she should be spotlighted.



Singer Sydney Sierota and bass player Noah Sierota, also known as Echosmith, performed for Northwest students Saturday night at the spring concert hosted by SAC.

SHAWNA KINGSTON | NW MISSOURIAN

Echosmith brings Bearcats to their feet

SYDNEY OETTER
A&E Reporter | @SquidneyO

Four siblings and one dream, to create music. This is exactly the dream the siblings of Echosmith are living. Echosmith performed at the annual spring concert April 5. Although it didn't fill the stands, the band did bring a bright and fun environment for fans attending the concert.

The Well Reds opened for Echosmith with an electric and energizing performance, surprising the crowd. "I loved the opener," sophomore Kelsey Schwensen said.

The Well Reds is from Atlanta, Georgia and has performed with bigger bands such as Andy Grammer, Justin Moore, Need To Breathe, We The Kings and Echosmith. Many audience members said they would not be surprised to hear this band on the radio and hitting it big within the next one to two years. After about an hour The Well Reds thanked the audience for an amazing night and the stage crew took over to set up for Echosmith. Echosmith took the stage and the crowd went wild, immediately jumping back out of seats and screaming. Echosmith is composed of four

siblings. Graham Sierota (16) plays drums, Sydney Sierota (17) is the lead vocalist for the band and contributes on tambourine and keyboard, Noah Sierota (19) plays bass and sings back-up and Jamie Sierota (21) sings and plays guitar. Echosmith first gained national attention in May 2013 when their song "Cool Kids" hit the top of the charts. "We didn't really think that 'Cool Kids' would be the single or the hit song that would start our career," Sydney said in the interview. Working with family is hard but Echosmith makes it work. "...knowing each other so well

is great, but can be difficult because we know how to push each other's buttons as well," Sydney said. Noah told the crowd the interesting background to the band's name. "Blacksmiths shape metals, which is what a band does sonically, so that is what we created the word Echosmith to mean," Noah said. Echosmith opened with its song "Come Together." Sydney rallied the crowd and got them involved. Schwensen got everything she hoped for from Echosmith. Her favorite part was speaking to the band before the concert. The only thing she wished would have happened was an

encore after the band left the stage. Echosmith is working on a new album. Noah told the press a little of what to expect. "'Cool kids' was more at the end of our record and the first record was recorded and written over a few months and there was a lot of sonic movement and growth through the record...Now we are taking what we had and we are getting to see where we have moved and grown, even from cool kids," Noah said. SAC puts on a concert once a semester. Stay tuned for upcoming emails with future band choices.

THE STROLLER:

Your Woman wants you to hold her hand, not make out

I am not asking you to grab your woman's face and kiss her passionately in the middle of a crowd. Quite the opposite, actually. Public displays of affection can go too far. Honestly, if you want to make out or gaze lovingly into each other's eyes, get a private spot. Intimacy is for each other, not the rest of the world. That being said, it is still nice

for your woman to know you are not ashamed to be seen with her in public and you are not afraid to let other people know she is your girlfriend. Holding your woman's hand is a sweet and reassuring way to let her know you care about her. Don't worry if your hand gets a little sweaty, it happens to everyone. And if your woman's hands are always clammy, try

buying her a nice, scented lotion she can carry around in her purse. Keep in mind your hands might be a little clammy too. On a hygienic note, it is also important to wash your hands on a regular basis. You and your woman already swap spit, so you don't need to be passing other germs and bacteria back and forth as well. Not only does the act of hand

holding make you feel connected to each other (both literally and figuratively) it is also a source of comfort. Neuroscientists from the University of Virginia and Wisconsin conducted a study to explain why people naturally take each other's hands in a time of crisis. "We found that holding the hand of really anyone made your brain work a little less hard in cop-

ing," James Coan, Ph.D., said. Take your woman's hand, Bearcats. Reassure her, comfort her and always stay thirsty.

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Students break down cultural barriers at First Friday Cultural Talks

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Officials at the Office of Student Engagement hope to bridge the gap between incoming students with vastly different backgrounds through free coffee and conversation. The First Friday Cultural Talks started Sept. 4, 2015 in the comfort of the Student Union Living Room. Many international and national students come to Northwest's campus knowing few people. Learning a different culture presents a challenge for foreign and American students. The talks allow students an opportunity to get connected with one another. Graduate Assistant for the Office of Student Engagement and Cultural Talk panel-member Ssila Bhandara sees the program as a way for students to trade stories, ideas and traditions. "...It is for the international and American students to know about different countries and cultures," Bhandara said. "We have different students from different countries and they talk about culture and traditions. It's kind of a cultural exchange. We have a representative from Nepal, China, India, Saudi Arabia and Korea. Normally, around six to seven different countries are represented." Many of the students at last Friday's talk regularly attend the monthly event. Free coffee and laughs distinguish the talks as a place of open discussion. Students share stories of how work weeks differ or how once-a-week family meals hold a sentimental value for others. The talks al-

low students a growing experience according to first year graduate student Hemanth Boinpally. "I think it was really good knowing a lot about Nepal, America, Korea and people in Nigeria. It is important to know everybody because we have come here to internationalize and grow," Boinpally said. "These (talks) are important to understand each other on a global perspective." According to Northwest's fact webpage, of the 6,593 students enrolled during fall 2015, roughly 778 come from different countries and 2,439 from out of state. For some students growing up in rural communities, Northwest remains their first experience interacting with people of different nationalities, ethnicities and religions. Many international students come to Northwest to improve their lives. Searching for jobs heavily defines culture in more densely populated nations. Staying top-notch in an American market remains difficult, but according to Boinpally, as many as 22,000 people may compete for one job in India. First year graduate student Vinay Bondade knows of the pressure it takes to succeed in a competitive market and claims he does not get to fully experience American culture. "Sometimes, when I go to my brother's place in Richmond, Virginia I get to have lots of fun over there. In Maryville, I'm always so busy with my assignments and during the weekends most of the other students go home to the bigger cities like Kansas City. So, it's kind

of boring over the weekend here," Bondade said. The students discussed the difficulties in finding exciting activities to do in Maryville. Some of the cultural talk participants from rural areas noted how Maryville offered more to do than many smaller communities and the reasons why many Americans stayed indoors on weekends. Students such as sophomore Rounak Ssresea attend the talks to see what similarities they share with people of different countries. Several international students at last Friday's talk knew of Microsoft's Xbox and some even mentioned playing video games as an activity they enjoy. Ameya Deshmukh, another first year graduate student and attendee since the talks started, noted the cultural talks remain fresh. "It's exciting because every time there's different topics we discuss. It's good to discuss, according to my perspective, according to someone else's perspective. We get ideas and see a different kind of world we haven't visited...its cool," Deshmukh said. Sharing in different cultures offers students a perspective few receive. Sophomore Pooja Poudyal was fascinated by the differences in each culture's status quo. "It's something (culture) we've been growing up with. The fact that something so normal to me can be so fascinating to someone else is very good," Poudyal said. The final First Friday Talk will take place April 1.

Conference tournament games create early madness



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With Selection Sunday right around the corner, athletic conferences all around the country are keeping fans entertained with riveting and exciting tournaments.

Conference tournaments serve almost as a precursor to March Madness. For larger conferences such as the Big 12 and the Big 10, these tournaments serve as a resumé builder and a final chance for the selection committee to view its teams. For smaller conferences, it means much more. To conferences such as the Ohio Valley Conference or the America East Conference, these tournaments decide who represents their conference in the NCAA tournament. The winner of the tournament gets an invitation to the big dance.

The conference tournaments may often go unnoticed as the larger schools already have spots basically locked up. However, as fans of the game of basketball, the conference tournaments provide some of the most thrilling games and emotional moments and lay the foundation for everyone’s favorite part of March Madness, the Cinderella teams.

Conference tournament games

such as the 2009 Big East Conference quarterfinal between the Connecticut Huskies and Syracuse Orangemen that went to six overtimes will go down as all-time great games. This particular game was played in the Mecca of basketball, Madison Square Garden. On top of that, it was played in the prime-time slot of television coverage. If a prime time, six overtime game in the Garden was not enough, these two teams were also ranked in the top 20 and were heated rivals. Now, not all games can be as entertaining as this, but rivals playing extremely close games in extraordinary venues is becoming much more prevalent in conference tournaments.

These tournaments do not just give us some great games, but terrific, emotional moments. For example, look at last season’s America East Conference Championship. The Albany Great Danes were set to play the Stony Brook Seawolves with a birth into the NCAA tournament on the line. Albany’s leading scorer Peter Hooley had missed eight games dealing with the death of his mother to cancer. After riding an emotional roller coaster all season, he found his team trailing by two points when the ball was tipped out to him for an open three pointer with just three seconds left. Hooley proceeded to drain the three pointer, Albany’s only three on the day, and give his Great Dane’s team the win

and a trip to the NCAA tournament.

Often times, Cinderella teams seem to come from nowhere to become some of America’s favorite feel-good stories. However, there is so much more than just showing up at the NCAA Tournament and knocking off the goliaths of college basketball.

As the conference tournament builds and these small school teams start winning more and more, their momentum and confidence increases. The momentum can sometimes be so great that it leads teams that may seem inferior to reaching new heights in the game. The Connecticut Huskies 2011 National Championship team is a prime example of a team hitting its stride in the conference tournament and riding it to success in the NCAA Tournament. They came into the Big East Tournament as the nine seed, a huge underdog in the tournament. However, the Huskies, who would later be known as “The Cardiac Kids,” won five games in five days to win the Big East Tournament. They would be awarded a three seed in the tournament, drastically better than they were projected heading into their conference tournament, and rattled off six straight wins to earn the National Championship.

With still the weekend to go, college basketball fans should not dismiss these games waiting for Sunday.

PITCHING CONTINUED FROM A10

“We knew we had some quality arms, but still unproven arms,” Loe said. “Look at those guys that pitched last year, they did some good things, but were pitching up in the zone a little bit and gave up some home runs. I thought we definitely had some quality arms, just thought we needed to put it together a little bit.”

The catalysts of the staff are the underclassmen sophomore Joseph Hietpas (3-0, 2.40 ERA), junior Anthony Caenepeel (1-3, 3.86 ERA) and Roberts (1-1, 3.55 ERA).

“Those three have pitched well,” Loe said. “The location of pitches and throwing three or four for strikes while keeping hitters off balanced, and on top of that playing great defense behind them. They’ve been keeping us in a lot of ball games.”

As the pitching staff experiences

its growing successes, senior catcher Derek Meyer saw first-hand the improvements made.

“I think the biggest difference this year is they stay down in the (strike) zone,” Meyer said. “We had a tendency to leave fastballs and even break pitches up over the plate last year. These guys have done a great job of working corners. It’s nice to see. As the game goes on, some pitchers have the tendency to wear down a little bit, but these guys continue to get stronger and stronger.”

From posting an ERA above six a year ago, the Bearcat hitters now find themselves with an easier approach at the plate.

“It definitely takes a lot of pressure off our hitters,” Meyer said. “It’s a lot easier going up there to the plate and hit pitching when you don’t feel like you have to score five runs an inning to keep yourself in a game. We try and pressure every inning a scratch one across. Once we get a lead, we try not to coast the rest

of the game, but try and scratch even more for our pitchers.”

Northwest travels to Topeka, Kansas to face off with Washburn in a three game series beginning Friday. Loe knows how quickly momentum shifts during a season, but feels his players prepare the right way.

“Those three guys (Hietpas, Caenepeel and Roberts) and the rest of our bullpen guys have a great approach to their week,” Loe said. “They’re all hard workers, they all prepare very well. They all have their own set of drills and routines that they complete during the week. I kind of stay out of their business on that and just get them on the mound Friday, Saturday and Sunday.”

Washburn (7-7, 3-3) played William Jewel Wednesday before hosting Northwest. The series starts Friday afternoon with the first pitch set for 4 p.m. The next game takes place Saturday at 3 p.m. with the finale at 1 p.m. Sunday.

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They’re a drastically different team than in those games,” McCollum said. “SBU (Southwest Baptist) was playing really well at that time. Lincoln, obviously, was playing well throughout the whole season. Those are tough to tell.”

Similarly to Ouachita, Northwest peaked toward the end of the year, as it went on to win the MIAA and have now won 19 out of its last 20 games. After capturing the MIAA Tournament title, Northwest’s attention quickly shifted to the Central Regional.

“We’re supposed to be looking forward right away, so we’re going to enjoy this today,” senior guard Conner Crooker said after the MIAA Tournament Championship game. “Tomorrow, it’s back to business and we’re trying to get further than we did last year, the last two years actually.”

The Bearcats beat Lindenwood, Fort Hays State and Nebraska-Kearney in a span of three days to capture two MIAA championships this season. Northwest is the first team since Washburn in 2003, to win both conference championships in the same season.

Sophomore guard Justin Pitts, who was named MIAA Player of the Year, averaged 20.7 points per game in all three of those contests and was named the tournament’s most outstanding player. The championship is the team’s fifth under the direction of McCollum.

After the tournament, Fort Hays State (20-10) and Nebraska-Kearney (20-11) received an at-large bid, giving the MIAA three participating teams in the national tournament. Nebraska-Kearney and Fort Hays State will see each other in the first round. The winner will advance to either play No. 1 seed Augustana or No. 8 seed Harding.

If Northwest wins its first game against Ouachita, it will advance to

the round of 32 , where it will play either No. 3 seed Minnesota State Moorhead (30-5) or No. 6 seed Minnesota State (21-9).

Last year, Northwest lost to Minnesota State Moorhead 47-42 in the regional championship to end the season.

Northwest will play Ouachita at 2:30 p.m. March 12 in Sanford Gymnasium. The Bearcats played Augustana at this venue earlier in the season and lost 79-77.

“We are comfortable there (Sanford Gymnasium),” McCollum said. “I don’t think our kids are happy to be there, which is a big plus. I remember my first national tournament, we were just happy to be there, so you go there and you do compete hard, but you are not quite as focused on winning. My second time we went there, we were real focused on that first game. I think our kids will be focused on that game. They’re not happy to be there, they want to compete and try to win it.”

NEW COACH CONTINUED FROM A10

They had some rough patches at the beginning of the season, but put together several key wins late in the year.

Along with this, the team had to say goodbye to five graduating seniors. However, it brings back eight letterwinners, of which five received recognition on All Conference Teams and one to All District Team.

Coach Woods will turn to her two returning seniors to be leaders this season.

They are more than ready for the task of leading this team and excited to get their final season going.

“I’m nervous but excited to get started. It’s my last year. I’m confident in this team and the other men,” Piper said. “There is always a sense of urgency to get the season started, and I know when it gets here we will be fine. I am going to lead this team the best I can and push them to do the best they can.”

“It’s kind of sad, I’ve been playing baseball since I was four, so it’s kind of bitter-sweet,” Oltman said. “I know this is probably our best chance to do really well. I hope to go out on a good note and finish this season strong.”

With only two seniors, this year’s team has an abundance of young talent waiting to showcase their skills.

“Our team is young a team with many combinations of grade levels that can be developed into a very competitive team,” Woods said. “I have

been impressed with the players’ hard work and development so far at practice.”

Piper knows that the team is young this year and has been spreading words of encouragement throughout the team.

“I’ve just been telling them to work hard and bust their butts at practice,” Piper said. “You need to practice like you play, and if you want to be 100 percent for districts or whatever game it is, you have to start by being ready for game one and practice like you play.”

Like Piper, Oltman has stepped up as a leader and with helping the young guys.

“Don’t be scared to make mistakes. Everybody does it, even people like me and Dustin who have been playing our entire lives. We still make those dumb mistakes you wish you could take back,” Oltman said. “If you are a freshman out here, you have just as much of a chance to play varsity as the seniors and juniors do. I’ve just been telling them to get up there and try their hardest. It doesn’t matter if you make a mistake, brush it off and get back out there.”

The talent, experience, leadership and coaching are all there, along, with the hard work and desire to make some noise in the postseason. The 2016 season and beyond is looking good for the Spoofohounds.

Maryville will start its season with a scrimmage Friday, March 18 in Cameron.

The regular season opener is Tuesday, March 22 in Savannah and the first home game will be Monday, March 28 against St. Joseph Benton.

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SOFTBALL

MIAA Standings

	Overall	MIAA
Missouri Western.....	14-6	4-0
Pittsburg St.....	13-6	2-0
NORTHWEST.....	15-3	3-1
Emporia St.....	11-8	3-1
Central Missouri.....	11-10	3-1
Southwest Baptist.....	10-12	3-1
Fort Hays St.....	8-9	2-2
Washburn.....	6-7	2-2
Lindenwood.....	5-15	2-2
Central Oklahoma.....	13-7	1-3
Lincoln.....	2-17	1-3
Missouri Southern.....	10-13	0-2
Northeastern St.....	12-11	0-4
Nebraska Keaney.....	7-13	0-4

March 11
NORTHWEST at Southwest Baptist (DH)
March 12
NORTHWEST at Central Missouri (DH)
March 15
Rockhurst at NORTHWEST (DH)



Sophomore pitcher Joseph Hietpas leads starters with a 2.40 ERA. The Bearcats defeated Lindenwood two out of the three games March 4-6.

HANNAH WOODSON | NW MISSOURIAN

Pitching rotation leads the way

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The Northwest baseball team aims to continue its momentum this weekend riding the shoulders of its pitching staff.



Following the Bearcats fourth consecutive series win last weekend, they now turn their focus to MIAA foe Washburn. Posting a solid 3.38 ERA, trust on the mound follows head coach Darin Loe and his team after blanking Lindenwood Sunday 3-0.

“Our pitchers are pitching with confidence,” Loe said. “I think, in response, our team is playing with confidence because they know that if we can scratch out four or five runs, then we have an opportunity to win a ball game.”

Northwest (9-6, 4-2) only needed one run as sophomore pitcher Brad Roberts stole the show Sunday going 6.1 innings of scoreless action. Junior pitcher Nikko Pablo helped secure the shutout going 1.2 innings while senior Carson Smith closed the ninth.

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Spoofhounds aim for successful season under new coach

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After a heart breaking one run loss in last year’s district championship game, the Spoofhound baseball team is ready to start the 2016 season with a bang.

First year head coach Monica Woods is looking to take a young team with lots of experience and



turn it into a top four conference contender.

The other goals for Woods are to win districts and bring home some hardware at the state tournament.

“I’m very excited,” Woods said. “I think we have a lot of possibilities with the players we have. They made district finals last year and I think they are all excited to come back and try to go for a district title and go further.”

The feelings were mixed coming into the season with a new coach at the helm, but now, five months after Woods’ hire, it has been all positive reviews.

“I think everyone was a little on edge at first,” senior Keston Oltman said. “We didn’t know how it was going to be and how practices were going to be structured. But this year, we are doing a lot more drills and just hitting at it a lot harder this sea-

son. The new coaching staff is doing great, making big improvements already.”

Senior Dustin Piper is no stranger to change after transferring from King City last year.

“It’s different transitioning because last year I was with coach Houchin for my first year after moving,” Piper said. “But coach Woods is a great coach. She knows what she is talking about and I trust ev-

everything she says. She knows how to pick our attitudes and emotions up in practice so we can get our best work in during practice.”

The Spoofhounds are coming off of a 7-8 season last year in which they went 2-4 in conference play, placing them fifth in conference.

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Boys season ends after loss in sectionals

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The Maryville boys basketball season can be summed up by more positives than negatives during head coach Matt Stoecklein's second season as head coach.

With a final record of 20-8, the Spoofhounds produced a team which knew how to develop itself and was in the game from the beginning to end. This allowed the Spoofhounds to do something which was not done during Stoecklein's first season.

"Last year, we lost in the district semifinals on a last second shot against East Buchanan," Stoecklein said. "This year, we hung on against them and beat them in the district championships. We lost to Lawson in sectionals. We had every chance to win, but we came up a little bit short. Overall, we did what we wanted to do, but a little bit more."

With 5:25 left to play against Lawson, the Spoofhounds found themselves tied at 37-37, but as Maryville's three-pointers stopped falling, Lawson moved inch-by-inch toward a 47-43 win over the Spoofhounds.

This loss too came within the final seconds of the game, as Lawson extended its lead to four points. Maryville had the ball with one second to go, but was not able to hold on in the 43-47 loss.

"The last few minutes were back and forth," Stoecklein said. "We took some good shots that would

go in for us most of the season. We didn't shoot too well. We had every single opportunity to win, but we came up short, but that just sometimes happens."

Juniors John Zimmerman and Jackson Golightly represented the Spoofhounds as members of the 2016 Class 3 District 16 team. Stoecklein said these two athletes were an important part to the team's offensive identity.

"For the most part, they made pretty good decisions all year," Stoecklein said. "John was the point guard, and Jackson would help bring up the basketball. They were always there right in the middle of the offense."

The Spoofhounds lost two members of the team late in the season. Stoecklein expected somebody to step up and fill those two roles. Freshman Elijah Dowis did just that, specifically in the district championship.

"He didn't turn the ball over very much for being a freshman," Stoecklein said. "He had a lot of good shots. He has a very promising future for next year."

The Spoofhounds will lose senior Chip Dunlap due to graduation. Dunlap sees nothing but potential from the remaining team.

"It is great knowing I am the only senior," Dunlap said. "A lot of the team will be returning. They will hopefully be great next year."

The loss of Dunlap will leave a hole in the lineup. Stoecklein says this role could potentially be filled easily.

"As long as somebody can take over Chip's role of getting the job done, we will have the chance to win as many games or even more next year," Stoecklein said.

Stoecklein was named the Class 3 District 16 team coach. He gives credit of his success to the two members of his coaching staff.

"My coaching staff is phenomenal," Stoecklein said. "They know how to deal with kids. Their knowledge of basketball is amazing. They have their input, and listen to it. They are wonderful to have around because they make me look a lot better as a coach."

The Spoofhounds will begin preparations for next season when they go through shoot-arounds in the next few weeks. The preparations will become more intense during the summer months.

"We will get full-blown in the summer," Stoecklein said. "June is our busiest month. We go to Harrisonville for a shootout, and will attend team camps at Northwest and Creighton. We have scrimmages and practices too."

Stoecklein says these preparations will help the team refocus heading into next season.

"With the talent we have coming back, so many kids haven't even unlocked what they can and what they will do next year," Stoecklein said. "I look forward to that. We are going to be real good."



SHAWNA KINGSTON | NW MISSOURIAN
Senior Chip Dunlap scores a layup against East Buchanan Saturday, Feb. 27.

Wichmann lone Bearcat track athlete headed to nationals



FILE PHOTO | NW MISSOURIAN
Senior Chloe Wichmann high jumps in the Bearcat Open April 3, 2015.

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One lone Bearcat will represent the Northwest track and field team at the 2016 NCAA Division II Indoor Track and Field Championships in Pittsburg, Kansas.

Senior Chloe Wichmann will represent Northwest at the meet in the pentathlon and long jump events.

"I am kind of sad," Wichmann said. "I wish I had my teammates, but I hope I can make them proud and finish strong so they can know anyone can make it with hard work."

Wichmann started the season on a strong note by automatically qualifying for nationals in the two events at the Charlie Foster Pre-Holiday Classic Dec. 11. She recorded the nation's fourth-best mark in the pentathlon with a converted total of 3889 points. Her base score of 3858 broke the school record by 154 points.

Wichmann recorded the 17th best mark with a long jump of 19' 1.5". This mark broke Kelsey Lacy's

previous school record of 18' 7.75" which was established last season.

"She is putting those records out there," head coach Scott Lorek said. "I don't expect anyone to beat them. It is going to take a while."

The strong start to the season early on led to struggles midseason.

"It has been a weird road for her," Lorek said. "She did her big scores and everything back in December. It took her several meets to really come back. She did really well in the conference meet, so I feel like she is on a significant upstream. She will do well and be ready to go."

Wichmann has hopes of establishing herself as an All-American. In order to do this, she must place within the top eight of each event.

"She is just a tremendous leader," Lorek said. "At times she can be vocal, but that is not her main thing. She performs well, and her teammates will try to match her on a day in and day out basis. Hopefully she will come home as an All-American in one of the events."

No matter the outcome, Wichmann hopes to put in her best possible performance in each event.

"I'm going into long jump ranked last," Wichmann said. "I really want to get a good jump. In the pent, I really want to make the top eight. I just need to go in relaxed and confident knowing that I have trained really well for this."

Following the meet, Wichmann will rejoin her teammates to transition into the outdoor season. Her performance at the national meet will give her a good idea of how she can perform outdoors.

"This meet will definitely help push me into the outdoor season," Wichmann said. "However I perform this weekend will make me understand where I am. If I can put up big marks indoor, I will be good for outdoor. I always know outdoor will have better marks than indoor."

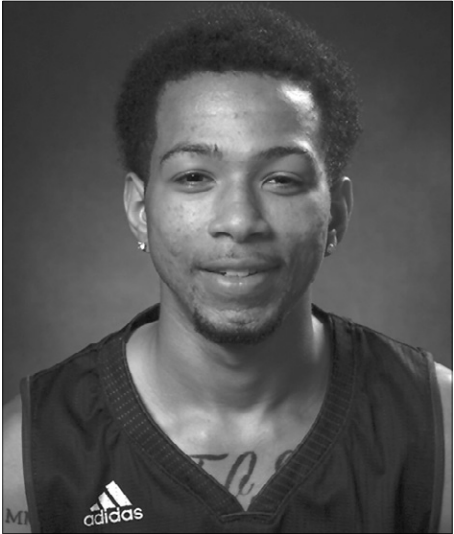
Wichmann competes in the long jump at 2:05 p.m. March 11. The pentathlon event occurs at 9:45 a.m. March 12.

ATHLETES of the WEEK



BEARCATS

Justin Pitts



The sophomore point guard was named the most outstanding player of the MIAA Tournament. Pitts averaged 20.7 points, 6.7 assists and 3.7 rebounds in the games Northwest played.

Kendle Schieber



The senior pitcher held William Jewell scoreless through eight innings, tossing a five-hit shut out. Schieber recorded a career-best 12 strikeouts, walking none in the 1-0 victory.

SPOOFHOUNDS



Jackson Golightly



The junior forward was named to the All-Class 3 District 16 Boys Basketball team. The Spoofhounds finished the season with a 20-7 record after losing to Lawson in sectionals March 2.

Megan Worthington



The sophomore was named to the All-Class 3 District 16 Boys Basketball team. The Spoofhounds finished the season with a 8-17 record after losing to East Buchanan in the first round of districts.



Sophomore Jessica Rawie takes a swing for the ball Saturday against Northeastern State. The Bearcats won both games.

Softball team off to historic start

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Two months into the season and the Northwest Missouri State softball team is not only winning, but doing so at a historic pace. After beating William Jewel 6-5 in its last game of a doubleheader March 8, the Bearcats now have a record of 15-3, which is good enough for first in the MIAA. Northwest also leads the league with a win percentage of 83 percent and one area has played a pivotal role in the team's favorable start, according to head coach Ryan Anderson.

"We've had decent pitching so far," Anderson said. "Once our hitting catches up, hopefully we'll be able to continue to make strides and keep improving."

Although Anderson identified hitting as an area for potential improvement, freshman Alexis Kelsey delivered in a big way when she recorded a walk-off double in the first of the team's two games Tuesday.

The pitching continues to be the driving force behind the team's impressive start. In game one of the doubleheader, senior pitcher Kendle Schieber tossed a five-hit shutout while recording 12 strikeouts. In game two of the double header, freshman Rachel Smith surrendered just one hit while recording five strikeouts.

"We work really well together as a team," Schieber said. "...We could get on top of them earlier so we don't have to fight from behind."

No example of dominance the



pitching rotation has showed is more prominent than senior Sarah Baldwin's perfect game March 5. Pitching can only take the team so far, and with over half the season remaining, now is the time for younger players to step up.

Coach Anderson may be impressed with his team's good start, but he still sees areas that team must sure up if it wants to continue to be at the top of the MIAA.

"So far it's been up and down," Anderson said. "We got some key hits from some people, but we had a lot of people that struggled to get on their pitchers. It was good for the win, but there are still some things we need to fix."

Earlier in the season, coach Anderson made it clear that the one thing allowing this team to thrive is its ability to be unselfish. It's one month later and now players are echoing the very same statements made by their coach regarding the team's chemistry.

"We have faith in each other that we will do our best out there," Schieber said. "Seeing each other succeed helps us win games and allows us to put everything together when we need to."

Since the beginning of the season, "putting everything together" has translated to the best record in the conference. With over half the season remaining, coupled with the relative youth of the team, Northwest has positioned itself to make a legitimate run at the conference title.

Northwest will face Southwest Baptist in a doubleheader at 1 p.m. March 11 in Bolivar.

Tennis teams begin 2016 campaign with impressive start

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The Northwest tennis teams raised some eyebrows this past weekend, winning convincingly over some highly rated opponents.

The men served up an impressive performance, getting two victories and moving to 3-0 on the season. The women split the difference and sit 2-1.

"Both teams are in tremendous condition," coach Mark Rosewell said. "We're in very good shape."

Both teams kicked things off Friday against Colorado Mesa. The men won their match comfortably 8-1. The women's match presented some tough competition for the Bearcats, but they prevailed 6-3.

On the men's side, No. 1 singles player Romain Boissinot got things started for the Bearcats by winning 6-0, 6-2. No. 2 player Alvaro Riveros continued the momentum, downing his opponent 6-1, 6-2. Northwest's winning ways continued as No. 3 Sergi Fontcuberta, No. 4 Mauro Tete, No. 5 Fin Glowick and No. 6 Aymeric Autones all picked up singles victories, locking up the overall win.

The women were able to pick up victories from No. 1 Lorena Rivas Jarolim, No. 2 Kaja Emersic, No. 3 Aniek Kolen, No. 4 Margaux Jac-

quet, and No. 6 Andrea Gallardo.

"I think we just need to believe in ourselves," freshman Kaja Emersic said. "We are like a family. The team is very supportive, so that helps everyone out."

The men had no time to rest as they played St. Cloud State the very next day. Even though there was little time to recover, the Bearcats picked up right where they left off, crushing the Huskies 9-0.

"They thought they had a chance...well maybe not," graduate assistant Lluís Altimires said. "We made a statement. I was surprised at first. When you are able to get every single one of them 100 percent mentally focused to win all of those matches, that's huge."

Everyone on the men's team that competed against Colorado Mesa played again and picked up a win in both singles and doubles.

Against Augustana, it was a different story as the women fell 5-2, their first loss of the season. Not everyone finished their match because occasionally when a team gets its fifth win, it decides to stop play to reserve its other athlete's energy for the next match. No. 5 player Vilune Sestokaite was sick Sunday and was unable to play in her matches.

"That's part of it," Rosewell said. "You're going to have players get sick and that's why you have

other players to step up."

The only Bearcats that were able to grab a win were Kolen and Jaquet by 8-6.

"We had our chances, but that's a team we would like to play again later in the season," Rosewell said.

Something that Lluís brought to the forefront of tennis fans' minds is the style of tennis played overseas is different. In Europe, the players go tournament to tournament playing singles matches and really never get to experience the doubles aspect.

"They already have the mindset of being by themselves on the court," Altimires said. "They have all that experience since age 5 or 6 and they don't have that experience in the doubles, so that's what we're working on."

Youth is something both teams possess as two freshmen shined this weekend including Emersic from the women's side, picking up a singles victory. Fontcuberta represented the men with two singles wins and one doubles match tally.

"I'm very pleased with both freshmen," Altimires said. "They are able to handle the pressure in tough moments. They know what they are capable of and they just do it."

The men's and women's teams have their first home match at 1 p.m. Saturday against Lindenwood.



Sophomore Mauro Tete practices his backhand March 1.

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Bearcats ride late-season surge into Central Region

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After wrapping up the MIAA Tournament this past week, No. 2 seed Northwest has its sights set on No. 7 seed Ouachita Baptist University in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

Northwest will be in the Central Region of the tournament. Augustana University, located in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, will host the Central Regional. Going into the tournament, Northwest head coach Ben McCollum said his team's experience in terms of being ready is vital to the team's chances.

"It's now win or go home," McCollum said. "If you aren't ready to play or have a bad half, it's hard to overcome that against the quality of opponents you have to face. Our kids all week will make sure that they are ready everyday for practice, so that when the game comes, they'll be ready for that."

While Ouachita Baptist (19-12) comes into the tournament with statistically the worst record among the 64-team field, McCollum said his team cannot snooze on them.

"They're playing well. I think early in the season they had a slow start and they started to pick it up a little bit," McCollum said. "They go inside quite a bit, they have a really good post player and they have guards around him that can play. I think Ouachita is really good. I think that will be a tough matchup right away."

Ouachita got off to a slow start to begin the season and finally found its groove at the end of the year. Prior to reaching regionals, the Tigers won the Great American Conference Tournament title. The Tigers have also won 10 out of their last 13 games.

Despite playing in different conferences, Northwest and Ouachita share a few common opponents. Earlier in the season, Ouachita lost to Lincoln and Southwest Baptist by a combined two points. The Bearcats went 3-1 in their games against those same opponents. In spite of that fact, McCollum said it is hard to judge this matchup based on those numbers.

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Sophomore forward Chris-Ebou Ndow drives to the basket against senior forward Cory Arentsen of Lindenwood March 5. The Bearcats defeated the Lions 62-57 in the first round of the MIAA Tournament.

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